

CHICAGO SAFE CRACKERS GET \$15,000; VILLA TO BE PRESIDENT OR DIE

4 WATCHMEN
BOUND WHILE
MONEY FLEES

Five Armed Robbers Execute Well Arranged Job at Mail Order House.

SECURITIES ARE LEFT

Postoffice Orders Aggregating \$40,000 Not Taken—Work For Several Hours.

Chicago, Ill., March 14.—Five armed robbers broke into the mail order branch of the Hartman Furniture company on the south side, today, blew off the door of the safe with nitro-glycerine, threw aside valuable securities, cleared \$40,000 worth of money orders, and escaped with \$15,000 in cash.

Leaving a guard outside, four men entered through a basement window, bound and gagged a watchman in the basement, and led him to the second floor, where they carried the watchman, bound and gagged, to the basement, then attacked the safe in the second floor.

Failure of the watchmen to make an hourly report over the burglar alarm service wires led the telephone company to send a special watchman to the scene. He was escorted into the building at the point of a revolver by the outside guard, bound and gagged, and left with the three watchmen.

The robbers worked leisurely several hours. After the robbery the watchmen succeeded in freeing themselves.

Thieves Throw Red Pepper.

Two armed men threw red pepper in the eyes of Daniel Eper, a New York jewelry salesman and robbed him of a suitcase containing jewelry valued at \$55,000, last night, according to a tale told by Eper. The men had followed him from a jewelry store on the west side, he said, and when he alighted from a street car forced him to accompany them to a lonely spot on the Chicago and Northwestern viaduct where he said they had robbed him.

Des Moines Safe Blown.

Des Moines, Ia., March 14.—Safe blowers entered the Cowles Glove company plant, escaped with \$20 in stamps and left \$1,000 worth of private papers lying on the floor.

DECISION MADE IN
IOWA RATE FIGHT

Washington, D. C., March 14.—Final determination of the Interior Iowa rates' case was reached today when the interstate commerce commission approved proportional class freight rates submitted by railroads "for transportation of traffic originating at or destined to points east of the Indiana-Illinois state line between upper Mississippi river crossings and junction points in Iowa and to maintain higher proportional rates on like traffic at intermediate points."

Higher rates to interstate points must not exceed, however, proportionate rates by more than two cents per hundred pounds on first and second class freight, or more than one cent on third class. The case was brought on complaint of the state of Iowa. It had been pending many months.

In the Mississippi river case brought by Iowa, against the Santa Fe road and others an adjustment of class freight rates from eastern and central freight association territories to upper Mississippi river crossings was made by the commission on a basis somewhat lower than proposed by the roads, but understood to be fairly satisfactory. Class rates between Chicago and points in Iowa were readjusted on a basis a trifle lower than existing rates and it was indicated commodity rates are to be adjusted on a basis similar to that of class rates.

MILLIONS BEHIND
FEDERAL LEAGUE

Chicago, Ill., March 14.—President Gilmore gave a list of the backers of the Federal league, showing, according to figures, there is \$50,000,000 behind the organization. There are 12 millionaires in the roster. Brooklyn is the wealthiest club, with \$25,000,000.

DEFENDS WILSON'S
POLICY IN MEXICO

Senator Benjamin F. Shively.

Washington, March 14.—Senator Benjamin F. Shively of Indiana, acting chairman of the foreign relations committee of the senate, defends the administration's handling of the Mexican situation and deplores the fact that the matter was brought into open discussion in the senate when Senator Fall of New Mexico urged armed intervention for protection from further outrages. Senator Shively was snatched by the camera man as he was leaving the White House after a talk with President Wilson about the situation.

PEACE FETE WILL
EMBRACE WORLD

Governor Dunne's Suggestion Leads to Inclusion of Other Nations From England.

Springfield, Ill., March 14.—To Governor Dunne belongs credit for changing what was planned originally to be a celebration of the "One Hundredth Anniversary of Peace Among English Speaking Peoples" to the "American Peace Centenary," which will celebrate a century of peace with all foreign nations with which the United States has been on friendly terms during the last 100 years. The celebration will be held Feb. 17 and 18, 1915.

As a result of the adoption by the committee in charge of the celebration of Governor Dunne's suggestion to include all nations, the governor has written John J. Fitzgerald, chairman of the appropriation committee of the house, recommending an appropriation by congress for the celebration. The governor also recommends that the appropriation measure mention the names of the other countries, as well as Great Britain, and that the bill provide that the funds should be expended for a cosmopolitan celebration. The governor soon will appoint a committee of 100 citizens of Illinois to co-operate in the celebration.

The first official communication on the subject came to Governor Dunne from John A. Stewart, chairman of the executive committee, and requested the governor to take certain action favoring the celebration. In reply, Governor Dunne wrote:

"I am in favor of celebrating a centenary of peace between this country and Great Britain or any other country, and earnestly hope that such peace will be continuous, but it must be remembered that while we have had peace for a century with Great Britain, we have had peace perpetual with France, Germany, Russia, Sweden, Norway, Austria-Hungary, Italy, Japan, China and most of the great nations of the world.

"We have had two wars with Great Britain, and none with these other countries, and the peace between the United States and Great Britain was seriously imperiled during our war of the rebellion. Europe, and not England, is the mother country of the United States. This is particularly true of Illinois, which has hundreds of thousands of Germans, hundreds of thousands of Poles, thousands of Swedes, a large Italian population, many thousands of Austro-Hungarians, Bohemians, Greeks and Roumanians. All of these elements are gradually being molded into good American citizenship."

Kelley Army Still in Camp.

Sacramento, Cal., March 14.—"General" Kelley's army of unemployed is still encamped at Yolo county.

REBEL FIELD
CHIEF TELLS
HIS AMBITION

One Time Bandit Declares He Will Not Submit to Changed Position.

CARRANZA TO JOIN HIM

Hinted Breach Will Follow if Latter Attempts to Call in a New Adviser.

Chihuahua, Mexico, March 14.—"Villa, one time bandit, will be the next president of Mexico. That is his ambition and despite all reports to the contrary it will remain his ambition until he is either dead, or president."

This declaration was made by a friend so close to Villa as to give authority to the assertion. It was prompted by reports coming to Chihuahua of General Carranza, recognized as the civil head of the revolution, was to bring about conditions more satisfactory to foreign governments and place in the seat of authority a better adviser than Villa appears to have been in handling complications growing out of the killing of Benton, a British subject. That Villa and Carranza might meet and might publicly embrace as an evidence of harmony was given out as a possibility.

Will Not Lessen Power.

It is said the coming of Carranza will not lessen in any way the power now wielded by Villa, who for months has been dictator. A magnificent marble building has been prepared as the official residence or capital in which Carranza will perfect details of government.

"Villa will remain supreme commander through the progress of the rebellion," said one of the advisers. "His succession of victories against federal armies, while Carranza remained in obscurity on the Pacific slope, has so exalted him in the minds of his soldiers as to make his subordination to any one else improbable."

Wants to be Sure of Ground.

"Villa could not afford to go south at the head of his troops and attack Torreón until he has first satisfied himself that his going will not result in loss of any of his power."

In the absence of any indication that Villa intended to move southward immediately this city, the largest in rebel territory, has apparently resigned itself to an indefinite state of revolution. Outwardly conditions are normal.

Consuls Look After Foreigners.

Washington, D. C., March 14.—Carranza has consented to have American consuls look after the interests of foreigners in parts of Mexico under control of constitutionalists, where their own governments have no consular representatives. He is willing to heed any applications made to him directly by friends or relatives of foreigners whose lives or property may be threatened and to make investigation of every case and punish any of his followers who are culpable.

Where there are such consular representatives, Carranza suggests that even where their governments have recognized Huerta, these consuls may unofficially communicate with him without involving their governments. Although Secretary Bryan declined to discuss the construction to be placed upon Carranza's reply attitude of officials centered upon the fact that Carranza proposes to impose a condition that may make impossible the activities of consuls unless the European powers are willing to make a decided change in their attitude, which is very doubtful.

Calls Villa Bauch Slayer.

El Prego Baca of Albuquerque, once candidate for congress, told the house committee that Gustave Bauch, an American, was executed by Villa at Juarez, and that Carranza so feared Villa "he will not sleep in the same room with him."

FLAMES DESTROY
A FAMOUS CHURCH

Duesseldorf, Germany, March 14.—The famous thirteenth century church of St. Quirinus, at Neuss, near here, burst into flames at 6 this morning and the greater part of the edifice was destroyed at noon, the tower which was reconstructed in 1741, and the celebrated chimes and the organ, had gone and the flames were still making headway.

IT'S SO EASY TO FORGET

15 YEARS PRISON
TERM GIVEN ELLIS

Lawyer For Wife Murderer Withdraws Motion Filed Asking For a New Trial.

Chicago, Ill., March 14.—William Cheney Ellis today was sentenced to 15 years for wife murder.

In imposing sentence Judge Pettit said: "The action of Attorney Remus today in withdrawing his motion for a new trial shows he believes the testimony of his own medical witnesses is without foundation. Each testified Ellis was insane when he committed the crime, hence had no power to choose between right and wrong. If Remus believed the testimony of these doctors true, then he must believe his client innocent, and his action today in abandoning the case, at this preliminary stage, is extraordinary."

The judge also directed an investigation of the conduct of Dr. Thomas Hogan, jail physician, who testified for Ellis.

"Two friends of the court have informed me that they talked with Hogan before the trial and that he said Ellis was sane and never had been insane. Then he testified in court that the man is insane," said Pettit.

LENFESTY BACKS
ROOSEVELT STORY

Corroborates Statement That Colonel Collected \$3,000 From Society.

New York, March 14.—John T. Lefesty of Chicago, who recently said in an interview that Colonel Roosevelt presented a bill for \$3,000 to the Historical Society of Rio de Janeiro for a lecture, arrived yesterday on the Mauretania. With him was Drury A. McMillin of St. Louis, press agent for the Brazilian Tractor company.

"Every word I said in that Roosevelt interview was true," Mr. Lefesty declared, and pointing, continued: "There is the man who gave me the story and who saw the bill sent by Colonel Roosevelt."

"Yes, I saw the bill," said Mr. McMillin. "It was for \$3,000, and was sent by Colonel Roosevelt. It was paid."

"But the whole thing has been denied," he was told.

"I believe it has," he replied, "but the Historical Society of Rio de Janeiro will not deny it. Mr. Roosevelt was entertained at a cost of \$40,000."

"Did you hear the lecture?"

"Yes."

"Was it worth \$3,000?"

"When Mr. Roosevelt got through," said McMillin, "nobody knew what he had been talking about. Colonel Roosevelt is very unpopular in every part of South America he visited. In Chile he was mobbed."

Washington—Extension for five years of the existing arbitration treaty between the United States and Paraguay, which will expire next October, was ratified by the senate.

THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 p. m. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vicinity.

Fair tonight and Sunday, moderate temperature with the lowest tonight above freezing, moderate southwest winds.

Temperature at 7 a. m. 41. Highest yesterday 53. Lowest last night 40. Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 6 miles per hour.

Precipitation none. Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 49, at 7 a. m. 71. Stage of water 3.9 a fall of .1 in last 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Evening stars: Mars, Venus, Saturn. Morning stars: Jupiter, Mercury. The first magnitude golden yellow star Arcturus of constellation Bootes, "harbinger of spring," in meridian at 2:30 a. m.

COURT CALL FOR
SWEDENDUCHESS

Wife of Prince William Must Answer Charge of Having Deserted Her Husband.

Stockholm, Sweden, March 14.—Grand Duchess Pavlovna of Russia, wife of Prince William of Sweden, second son of King Gustave V., was summoned today through the Swedish legation in St. Petersburg, to appear in the court of Assizes, Stockholm, to answer to a charge of having deserted her husband. Divorce proceedings of the royal couple have been in progress some time. The grand duchess has been in St. Petersburg some time.

New Railroad.

Pierre, S. D., March 14.—The Central of Iowa Railroad company has been incorporated in South Dakota, with a capital stock of \$5,000,000. It is proposed to build a line from Omaha to Des Moines, with headquarters at Council Bluffs.

D. O'CONNELL, 109,
OLDEST ELK, DIES

Owosso, Mich., March 14.—Daniel O'Connell, known the last few years as the oldest living member of Fraternal Order of Elks, is dead, aged 109.

Trenton, N. J., March 14.—Right Rev. John Scarborough, Protestant Episcopal bishop of New Jersey, is dead, aged 83.

Minneapolis, Minn., March 14.—Judge C. A. Willard of the United States district court died at his home here last night. His death was the result of a nervous breakdown suffered five weeks ago, from which he never recovered. Judge Willard was born in St. Johnsbury, Vt., May 21, 1857.

ENGAGEMENT HAS
BEEN ANNOUNCED

President and Mrs. Wilson Tell of Betrothal of Daughter to Mr. McAdoo.

Washington, D. C., March 14.—The president and Mrs. Wilson announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Eleanor Randolph, to Hon. William Gibbs McAdoo. This announcement was issued at the White house by Secretary Tumulty last night after a day of speculation in capital official and social circles over the prospects of another White house wedding in June.

For weeks there have been rumors that the president's daughter and the secretary of the treasury would be married soon and in the past day or two there has been no denial that an announcement could be expected. The exact date of the wedding is not known but it is generally believed that it will be some time in June.

There has been extraordinary interest in the engagement among officials and the many friends which both Miss Wilson and the cabinet officer have made during the year they have been in the capital. The youngest of the family, Miss Eleanor is said to be her father's pet and there is a strong personal friendship between the president and the man who is to marry his daughter.

Reports that Secretary McAdoo would retire from the cabinet after his marriage and perhaps become ambassador to France were set at rest last night by White house officials who said emphatically that he was expected to remain at the head of the treasury department.

Miss Wilson will be the fourteenth White house bride and the second of President Wilson's daughters to marry in the nation's executive mansion. The sister, Miss Jessie Woodrow Wilson, became Mrs. Francis Bowles Sayre on November 15 last.

2,000 OF SIEGEL
CLERKS ARE IDLE

New York, March 14.—The three large department stores in which John Ciafflini is interested will place as many as possible of the 2,000 employees of the bankrupt Siegel stores. Pathetic scenes were frequent today at the Siegel stores which will close tonight on order of the court. Hundreds, besides losing their jobs, will lose savings deposited in the defunct Siegel bank.

It is believed not more than 200 of the 2,500 employees will be out of work Monday. Clerks will receive a week's pay when the stores close tonight.

Ritchie to Meet Duffy.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 14.—Lightweight Champion Ritchie and Jimmy Duffy of Lockport will box here in May. Ritchie is guaranteed \$10,000. Chicago, Ill., March 14.—Ritchie denied he was matched to box Duffy at Buffalo.

LONDON SUFS
ATTACK HOME
OF DIPLOMAT

Windows in Residence of Secretary Reginald McKenna Are Smashed.

WOMEN RIDE IN AUTO

Give False Names When Arrested and Are Sentenced to Six Months in Prison.

London, England, March 14.—A detachment of militant suffragists armed with hatchets and hammers smashed every pane of glass on the ground of the residence of Reginald McKenna, home secretary, in Smith Square, Westminster, today.

Six women arrived in the square in an automobile and took by surprise the policemen who guard the homes of the state ministers. All were arrested, however, as they were leaving. McKenna left town for the week-end yesterday.

The women were arraigned and gave false names. Each was sentenced to a two months' imprisonment with hard labor. Policemen testified that the women "crept stealthily in Indian file along the side wall, then made a rush for the windows."

One of the prisoners said in court: "I wouldn't have given much for him (McKenna) if we had got him inside."

Another said: "It's a lucky thing for you we do not shoot."

All Plead Guilty.

All pleaded guilty. They said they were driven to break McKenna's windows by the great brutality shown "our beloved leader."

The magistrate, in passing sentence, said he never had heard a more deplorable story than that which had been told to the court.

"Rot!" exclaimed one of the women.

Pankhursts Are Released.

Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst was again released from Holloway jail today where she had started a "hunger and thirst strike" immediately after her arrest Sunday at Glasgow. She was very weak and exhausted.

Sylvia Pankhurst was also liberated from jail.

TO SEAL LIPS OF
OUR AMBASSADOR

Senator Chamberlain Makes Further Attack Upon Page For Panama Speech.

Washington, D. C., March 14.—"Some means ought to be found to seal the lips of the ambassador to Great Britain, or in justice to the American people he ought to be promptly recalled," said Senator Chamberlain. "Further reports of Page's speech in London Wednesday do not differ at all from the first reports as to the matters of which I have complained."

In a minority report, Congressman Knowland of the interstate commerce committee vigorously denounced the Sims bill for repeal of tolls exemption provision of the Panama canal act.

Trace Double Killing Case.

Manchester, Iowa, March 14.—Liquor was blamed yesterday for the double tragedy in which Clyde Elder killed John Fischer and himself. It was said Elder had been drinking. After shooting Fischer, a painter, he threatened to kill two witnesses with his repeating shotgun, but turned the weapon upon himself and fired.

Teachers' School Suspends.

Rockford, Ill., March 14.—The Wells Training School for Teachers in Oregon, the only one of its kind in the state, has suspended, and the building will be converted into a summer hotel. The school was in existence 35 years, and during that time more than 5,000 students were enrolled.

COOPER IS NOT TO
BUILD NILE'S DAM

New York, March 14.—Hugh L. Cooper of New York, engineer who built the Keokuk power dam across the Mississippi, today denied a report that he had been designated as consulting engineer for the Egyptian government in the construction of a new Nile dam.